

**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q92435

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Appln. No.: 10/562,687

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 3798

Examiner: Irene MARX

Filed: December 28, 2005

For: EQUOL-PRODUCING LACTIC ACID BACTERIA-CONTAINING COMPOSITION

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 4, 2009 to December 4, 2009.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$1,110.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

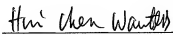
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